

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) A method for purifying a ~~obtaining an~~ ~~essentially pure~~ group 1, 2, 3, 10, and/or 13 grass allergen, comprising preparing an aqueous extract of Graminae pollen and subjecting soluble constituents in the extract to hydrophobic interaction chromatography, followed by gel filtration and optionally followed by cation exchanger chromatography.

10. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 9, wherein the pollen is of the species *Phleum pretense*, *Lolium perenne*, *Dactylis glomerata*, *Festuca pratensis*, *Holcus lanatus*, *Poa pratensis*, or *Secale cereale* ~~*Phleum pretense*, *Lolium perenne*, *Dactylis glomerata*, *Festuca pratensis*, *Holcus lanatus*, *Poa pratensis*, or *Secale cereale*~~.

11. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 9, wherein the extraction is carried out by Tris/HCl-buffered aqueous solution.

12. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 9, wherein the group 1, 2, 3, 10, and 13 grass allergens are separated from other constituents in the extract by hydrophobic interaction chromatography.

13. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 12, wherein the group 1 and 13 allergens are obtained in separate fractions by a filtration step and are separated from the group 2, 3 and 10 allergens.

14. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 13, wherein the group 2, 3 and 10 allergens after the gel filtration step are separated from one another by cation exchange chromatography.

15. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 10, wherein the extraction is carried out by Tris/HCl-buffered aqueous solution.

16. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 10, wherein the group 1, 2, 3, 10, and 13 grass allergens are separated from other constituents in the extract by hydrophobic interaction chromatography.

17. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 15, wherein the group 1, 2, 3, 10, and 13 grass allergens are separated from other constituents in the extract by hydrophobic interaction chromatography.

18. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 16, wherein the group 1 and 13 allergens are obtained in separate fractions by a filtration step and are separated from the group 2, 3 and 10 allergens.

19. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 17, wherein the group 1 and 13 allergens are obtained in separate fractions by a filtration step and are separated from the group 2, 3 and 10 allergens.

20. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 18, wherein the group 2, 3 and 10 allergens after the gel filtration step are separated from one another by cation exchange chromatography.

21. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 19, wherein the group 2, 3 and 10 allergens after the gel filtration step are separated from one another by cation exchange chromatography.

22. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 9, wherein the grass is ~~Phleum pretense~~ Phleum pretense which is also known as timothy grass.

23. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 13, wherein the grass is ~~Phleum pretense~~ Phleum pretense which is also known as timothy grass.

24. (Currently Amended) A method for purifying a ~~obtaining essentially pure~~ group 13 grass allergen, comprising preparing an aqueous extract of Graminae pollen and subjecting soluble constituents in the extract to hydrophobic interaction chromatography ~~and followed by~~ a gel filtration step, the latter step giving three fractions, of which the group 1 and 13 allergens each represent one fraction and the group 2, 3 and 10 allergens together represent the third fraction.

25. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 24, wherein the grass is ~~Phleum pretense~~ Phleum pretense which is also known as timothy grass.

26. (New) A method according to claim 9, wherein the flow rate during gel filtration is 5 ml/min.

27. (New) A method according to claim 24, wherein the flow rate during gel filtration is 5 ml/min.

28. (New) A method according to Claim 24, wherein the extraction is carried out by Tris/HCl-buffered aqueous solution.